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(54) New quinazolines as inhibitors of HIV reverse transcriptase.

(57) Compounds having a quinazolin-2-one nucleus with a substituted alkynyl or substituted alkenyl at the 4-position are described. These compounds are useful in the inhibition of HIV reverse transcriptase (including its resistant varieties), the prevention or treatment of infection by HIV and the treatment of AIDS, either as compounds, pharmaceutically acceptable salts, pharmaceutical composition ingredients, whether or not in combination with other antivirals, immunomodulators, antibiotics or vaccines. Methods of treating AIDS and methods of preventing or treating infection by HIV are also described.

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While the foregoing specification teaches the principles of the present invention, with examples provided for the purpose of illustration, it will be understood that the practice of the invention encompasses all of the usual variations, adaptations, or modifications, as come within the scope of the following claims and its equivalents.

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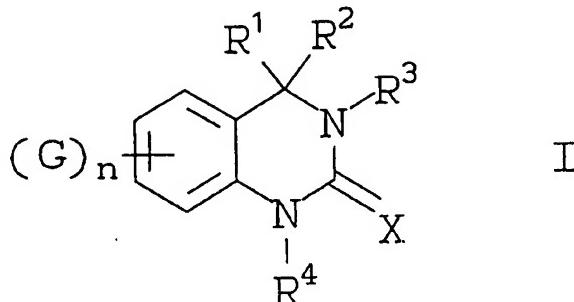
**Claims**

1. A compound of the formula :

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wherein:

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X is O,

G, when present, is halo; nitro; or cyano;

n is 0-4;

R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>3-5</sub> cycloalkyl; C<sub>2-5</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>2-4</sub> alkenyl, or cyano;

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R<sup>2</sup> is C<sub>2-5</sub> alkynyl substituted with one or more of A, or C<sub>2-5</sub> alkenyl substituted with one or more of A, wherein A is

i) halo,

ii) hydroxy,

iii) amino,

iv) cyano,

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v) nitro,

vi) azido,

vii) C<sub>3-8</sub> cycloalkyl,viii) C<sub>1-4</sub> alkoxy, unsubstituted or substituted with one or more of halo,

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ix) di-(C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl) amino,x) C<sub>1-4</sub> alkylamino,xi) aryl, unsubstituted or substituted with one or more of D, wherein D is amino, nitro, cyano, or C<sub>1-3</sub> alkoxy,

xii) aryloxy, unsubstituted or substituted with one or more of D;

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xiii) heterocycle, unsubstituted or substituted with one or more of D;

xiv) heterocycle-oxy;

xv) C<sub>2-5</sub> alkenyl;

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xvi) COOR, wherein R is H, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or aryl;xvii) CONR<sub>2</sub>; or

xviii) COR;

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R<sub>3</sub> is

i) H;

ii) cyano;

iii) amino;

iv) hydroxyl;

v) C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, unsubstituted or substituted with one or more of E, wherein E is halo, hydroxyl, amino, nitro, cyano, C<sub>1-4</sub>-alkoxy, or C<sub>3-5</sub> cycloalkyl;vi) C<sub>2-4</sub> alkenyl, unsubstituted or substituted with E; or

vii)  $C_{2-4}$  alkynyl, unsubstituted or substituted with E;

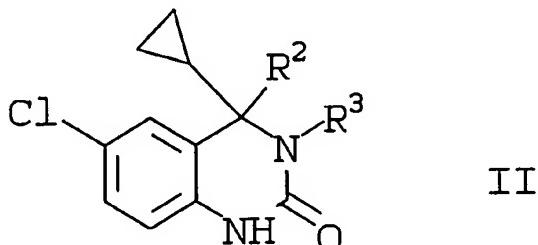
$R_4$  is

- i) H;
- ii)  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl;
- iii)  $C_{1-5}$  alkylcarbonyl;
- iv) benzoyl, unsubstituted or substituted with one or more of A; or
- v) heterocycle carbonyl;

with the proviso that any terminal alkynyl carbon is not substituted with any substituent selected from the group consisting of halo, hydroxy, amino, cyano, nitro, azido,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy unsubstituted or substituted with one or more of halo, di-( $C_{1-4}$  alkyl)amino,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylamino, aryloxy unsubstituted or substituted with one or more of D, or heterocycle oxy; or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. A compound according to Claim 1, of the formula

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wherein:

$R^2$  is  $C_{2-5}$  alkynyl substituted with halo, hydroxy, amino, cyano, nitro, azido,  $C_{3-8}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, di-( $C_{1-4}$  alkyl)amino,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylamino, phenyl, 2-nitrophenyl, pyridyl, pyrimidyl, pyrazinyl, imidazolyl, or  $C_{2-3}$  alkenyl;

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$R^3$  is H or  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl;

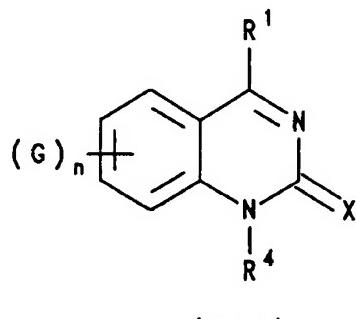
or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. A compound which is

- 36 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methyl-4-(3-methoxy-1-propynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-(3-methoxy-1-propynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methyl-4-(3-(4-morpholinyl)-1-propynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-4-(4-fluoro-1-butynyl)-3,4-dihydro-3-methylquinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-(4-chloro-1-butynyl)-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methylquinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 40 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-4-(4-fluoro-1-butynyl)-3,4-dihydroquinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-4-(3-fluoro-1-propynyl)-3,4-dihydro-3-methylquinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 4-(3-azido-1-propynyl)-6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methylquinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-(3-(1-imidazolyl)-1-propynyl)-3-methylquinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 45 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methyl-4-(3)-2,2,-,trifluoroethoxy)-1-propynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methyl-4-(3-(4-pyridyloxy)-1-propynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methyl-4-(3-(4-(N-oxopyridyl)oxy)-1-propynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-((2-pyridyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 50 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-((3-pyridyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-((4-pyridyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-((2-pyrazinyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-((5-pyrimidinyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methyl-4-((2-pyridyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 55 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-((2-pyrimidinyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methyl-4-(3-(N,N-dimethylamino)-1-propynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-(phenylethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 4-(3-buten-1-ynyl)-6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methylquinazolin-2(1H)-one,
- 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-(3-hydroxy-1-propynyl)-3-methylquinazolin-2(1H)-one,

6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methyl-4-(3-(2-pyridyloxy)-1-propynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,  
 6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-((2-nitrophenyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one, or  
 6-chloro-4(S)-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-((2-pyridyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,  
 or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

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       6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-4-(4-fluoro-1-butynyl)-3,4-dihydro-3-methylquinazolin-2(1H)-one,  
       6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methyl-4-((2-pyridyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one,  
       6-chloro-4-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-((2-pyridyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one;
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       6-chloro-4(S)-cyclopropyl-3,4-dihydro-4-((2-pyridyl)ethynyl)quinazolin-2(1H)-one.  
       or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
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55      wherein R¹, R⁴, G, n and X are as defined for formula (I), or a protected derivative thereof, with a reagent suitable to introduce the group R² or a group convertible thereto, followed, if necessary, by deprotection; and optionally converting the compound of formula (I) so prepared to another compound of formula (I).